the policy on compassionate appointment, which is implemented by the administrative Ministries/Departments. Information on total number of cases considered and appointments made by the different Departments and PSUs is not maintained centrally.

(c) and (d) There is no ban on compassionate appointment. The Administrative Ministries/Departments'of Central Government are to regulate individual cases as per the norms laid-done in the Scheme.

Investigation of crimes of serious nature

2646. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether currently CBI requires prior permission of the concerned State Government to investigate crimes of serious nature;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a proposal to empower CBI to investigate certain types of federal crimes on their own without the concurrence of the State Governments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and Centre's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) As per provisions of Section 5(1) of Delhi Special Police Establishment Act, 1946, the Central Government may, by order, extend to any area (including Railway areas), in a State, not being a Union Territory, the powers and jurisdiction of members of the Delhi Special Police Establishment (DSPE) for the investigation of any offences or classes of offences specified in a notification under Section 3 of the DSPE Act.

Further, section 6 the DSPE Act provides that nothing contained in Section 5 shall be deemed to enable any member of the DSPE to exercise powers and jurisdiction in any area in a State, not being a Union Territory or Railway area, without the consent of the concerned State Government.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.